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Dear Friend:

I have been afraid to write you until now, when Abe told me the frame of mind you were in about the baseball. I guess we all feel a little better after the WMC ruling yesterday. To my way of thinking, this is the only encouraging thing that has happened to date.

Well our league just had the schedule meeting, and it is the most intelligent schedule we have ever made. For the first time, we are playing each other nearly an even amount of games. This is some improvement. I really think we are going to have a fairly good team this year. As things stand now, if Mexico and the army don't take any more of them, we shape up pretty good.

I am writing now to ask you for the date of June 3rd, for The Eagles and The Philly Stars to play in Ebbetts Field. I would enclose the check at this time, but I decided that is assuming too much. If we can have it I will send the check right away. I have made a contact in Brooklyn that I really think will help a lot to get a crowd out. The games over there have never been handled quite right. I will appreciate it a lot if we can have this date, as it is one of those days when ballparks are scarce.

Please let me hear from you as soon as possible, so I will know what is what. I hope you are enjoying good health, and the team is shaping up.

Very Truly Yours